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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS,MY

SUBJECT: TERRORIST ATTACK IN KUALA LUMPUR
FOR THE SECRETARY FROM EAGLEBURGER AND HABIB

1. YOU WILL HAVE SEEN THE EXCHANGE OF CABLES ON THIS
SUBJECT.

2. OUR OBJECTIVE IS, OBVIOUSLY, TO TRY TO SECURE THE
RELEASE OF THE HOSTAGES. WE WILL NOT, HOWEVER, PUSH THE
JAPANESE TO ACCEPT THE TERRORIST DEMANDS. SHOULD THEY
ASK FOR OUR ADVICE WE WILL SAY THAT IT IS UP TO THEM HOW
THEY RESPOND. AT THE SAME TIME, WE WILL SUGGEST -- SHOULD
THEIR DECISION BE NOT RPT NOT TO MEET THE DEMANDS -- THAT
THEY TEMPORIZE AS LONG AS POSSIBLE WITH THE OBJECTIVE
OF GETTING AN EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE.

3. WE WILL ALSO WORK WITH THE MALAYSIAN AUTHORITIES ON
THE SCENE AND BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT THEIR ADVICE (HABIB
KNOWS THE MALAYSIAN IN CHARGE AND SAYS HE IS FIRST RATE).

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4. WE DO NOT AT THIS POINT KNOW HOW THE JAPANESE WILL
RESPOND. HABIB HAS INFORMED THEIR EMBASSY HERE. AS YOU
KNOW MIKE AND MIYAZAWA ARRIVED LAST NIGHT; HABIB ASKED
THAT THEY BE INFORMED IMMEDIATELY. INGERSOLL

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